

Alberta Legislature

By KEN MARSH, EDMONTON

EDMONTON, March 13—Members of the Legislature last week had a load of political dynamite dumped in their laps—the report of the Blackstock royal commission on teacher salaries.

The commission recommends the creation of a uniform province-wide salary scale for teachers, and withdrawal of their right to strike over pay disputes.

A three-man government board would be set up with final and complete jurisdiction over salaries. Its decisions would be binding on teachers and school trustees.

The big question is whether the government will ever be anything about it. Education Minister Anders Aalborg made it clear that there will be no legislation to implement the report at this session of the House, "if at all."

It appears doubtful at this point that anything will ever be done, because the province's schoolteachers are irrevocably opposed to the idea of a uniform salary scale.

As a matter of fact, although it has never been admitted publicly, the powerful Alberta Teachers' Association would consider calling a province-wide strike if the government decided to implement the findings.

On the other hand, of course school trustees and some other groups favor the idea. The main argument is that it would end the interminable wrangling over salaries every year between teachers and local school boards.

The commission points out that the uniform scale would probably increase the overall

cost of teachers' salaries, and it hints that this would mean increased local taxation.

In its report, the commission, headed by lawyer G. M. Blackstock, strongly criticized the Alberta Teachers' Association for its attitude during the commission hearings. The teachers walked out of the hearings and never returned when they tangled with the chairman over whether they should present a brief or merely offer rebuttal of the arguments of other groups.

The 130-page report claims a uniform scale would improve teacher-trustee relations and raise the morale of teachers by creating more certainty in matters of salary.

Under the system recommended by the report, teachers and trustees would negotiate for a month every year, and if they failed to reach agreement, the government board would make a decision binding on both parties. This would have the effect of eliminating all possibility of a teachers' strike.

So far, teachers and trustees have had nothing to say about the report, but there will undoubtedly be plenty of behind-the-scenes lobbying, and there may even be a debate in the Legislature before it is finished.

Premier Manning's government last week survived its first motion of non-confidence of the current session.

The motion was introduced by Liberal Leader J. Harper Prowse, as he launched the Throne Speech debate.

It was based on what he termed the government's failure to resolve provincial-municipal financing problems, and failure to find suitable use for the money distributed in oil and gas royalty dividends

The Social Credit majority crushed the Liberal motion on a standing vote of 34 to 16.

The province's 1958-59 budget, calling for increased municipal, school and hospital grants, may be introduced this week. Provincial Treasurer Ted Humeau anticipated delivering the budget address Friday, if the Throne Speech debate ends on its problem.



CRAWFORD FERGUSON
Editor, Delia Times

The Editor, "Delia Times"
Many people say they would vote for Crawford Ferguson if he were in politics. To give these people some assurance, I am writing this letter. Crawford Ferguson has a wide knowledge of agriculture and its problems, provincial and national.

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—BUD LEONARD
(Note—Mr. Leonard is an agricultural economist graduate of the University of Alberta, a farmer, a well-known broadcaster on C.F.L.A. local, and a 4-H Club leader.)

Sow Good Seed

Let's give our children a better start.

Good seed of cereal crops should be sure as to variety, high in germinating ability, free of disease, weed seeds, dirt and chaff. By this time many farmers will have completed at least part of their seed arrangements for 1958. Varieties will have been chosen which best suit the needs of the particular farm; and a seed has been set aside from a previous crop or new seed has been purchased. A germination test will have been carried out by the farmer himself, or he will have availed himself of this service through the Agricultural Extension Laboratory or one of the commercial grain companies.

Some fine soil remains to improve the seed and to protect it from insects, diseases and fungi. If wet seeds, chaff or dirt are present, the seed should be cleaned. If the presence of disease is known or suspected in the seed lots, the seed should be treated. A number of good seed treating compounds are available for grain crops. These treat the seed chemically as the organic mercury compounds. They effectively control the surface-borne insects such as beet and weevil, covered with a layer of dust and dirt. They also give some measure of protection to the germinating seed from disease-producing organisms in the soil. In addition to the organic mercury chemicals is now possible to buy non-mercuric compounds which are specifically designed for the control of wheat rust alone. These are not effective on oats or barley. For the farmer, his desire for crop protection from within the seed is a dual purpose seed treatment which is effective against both insects and fungi. Fungicides are no longer recommended as a seed treatment.

A few cautionary points should be stressed. Treat your wheat and flax at least 24 hours before sowing time, and your oats and barley at least a week ahead of sowing. Seed may be sown several weeks in advance of sowing provided it is dry and is stored there after in a dry place. In applying seed treatments follow the recommendations placed on the container by the manufacturer. Avoid over-dosing of the seed, and take proper precautions to protect yourself. Most of the seed treatments, especially the mercuric, are poisonous to man and livestock.

BIGGEST PROBLEM

Today, the biggest problem in the Canadian economy is maintaining enough consumer demand to keep pace with our enormous productive capacity, maintenance of consumer demand not only in Canada but among the buyers of Canadian products. For many years the chief Canadian export was wheat. What can Canadian people do to help the buying nations? The appointment of several farm representatives on Canadian Trade Missions may be a start of thought in that direction.

For years the Canadian Bureau of Statistics has been reporting that our purchases have been much bigger than our exports. The consequences of such a trend has resulted in the present-day depression.

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equally unrealistic union wage policies, slack period may be a good deal longer than many people imagine. Canadians cannot expect to match the formula of ever higher wages and ever fewer hours against every other nation whose people are willing to work for less and for longer hours, or who are producing for a mass domestic market, and still hope to banish unemployment.

Talk about ending recession by "increasing purchasing power" of various groups in the country is dangerous and misleading because it ignores the fact that country's total purchasing power is irrevocably tied to productivity. Since this is so, any increase in the purchasing power organized labor, brought about through higher wages, can be accomplished only at the cost of increasing purchasing power of other groups and individuals in the country. Higher wages means higher prices, and the higher prices are pushed by wage demands, the lower will be the purchasing power of everyone, including union members themselves.

Same fallacy exists when people talk about increasing the purchasing power of the farmer. If agriculture is to be more heavily subsidized, everyone else will pay the price in terms of taxes.

Perpetuation of the policy of increasing purchasing power of various groups can result only in greater distortions of the economy and in more unemployment. Real remedy for recession lies in adjusting cost of production to existing market conditions. Any further mark-up of price of labor's services can result only in less employment.

Alberta Wheat Pool

John K. Sutherland, of Hanna, was elected Alberta Wheat Pool delegate for sub-district 310 in recent by-election held in that area. He won out in a three-way contest. The by-election was necessitated by the election of former delegate Allan Macpherson to the Pool's board of directors at the organization's annual meeting last December.

Mr. Sutherland is a former Wheat Pool delegate, having served in that capacity from 1927 until 1936.

A Currier's Banquet will be held in the New Community Hall on Saturday, March 15. A dance will follow the banquet. Bob Hay's orchestra will supply the music.

Three local men's ranks are holding in the Drumheller (Open) Men's Banquet being held there this week. They are skipped by B. Battle, J. Meyers, and A. Mason.

F.W.U.A. and F.U.A.

A joint meeting was held in the F.U.A. club room on Thursday, Feb. 13th, with eighteen members present.

After the routine business, a discussion was held on amalgamation.

It was decided to hold the amateur concert on Friday, April 11th. Final arrangements to be made at the next regular meeting, on March 13th.

The hostesses, Mesdames Williams, Simpson, and Pearson served a lovely lunch.

—Con.

Police parking tickets were first issued in Toronto in 1907.

Local & District

Marlene DeMan was a Delia visitor over the week end.

Mrs. L. Sirko and Mike went to Calgary Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc Williams motored to Calgary Tuesday.

Mr. Howie was a Calgary visitor early this week.

George Humphrey motored to Stettler on Monday.

Ilene VanKiper was a Delia visitor over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gibson were Calgary visitors last week.

Elsie Marshall is spending a three week vacation with relatives in the East.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Isaac, at Drumheller hospital, on Wednesday, March 5, 1958, a daughter.

The Delia School will hold a Candy Sale in Mr. Kemp's new garage at 2 p.m. on Sat., March 15.

Three Delia student curling rinks took part in the annual Drumheller school banquet over the week end.

Wintry weather continues, with occasional light snow. The temperature is 25 above at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Gallell, of Calgary, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lefty Huddle over the week end.

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ECONOMIC MIRACLES

Notion that governments can work economic miracles, particularly in a country as dependent for prosperity upon world markets as Canada, has been debunked by Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, former Minister of Trade and Commerce. Speaking of present unemployment situation Mr. Howe says:

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